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AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 9-168d of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (b) The registrars of voters in each town, or the legislative body of
5 the town, shall select as polling places only those sites which meet the
6 standards of accessibility required under the State Building Code, as
7 revised pursuant to section 29-269, if applicable, or this section. The
8 registrars of voters in each town shall file with the Secretary of the
9 State either: (1) A certification, as prescribed by the Secretary of the
10 State, that states that each polling place selected complies with the
11 provisions set forth in this subsection, or (2) an application for waiver,
12 as described in subsection (c) of this section.

13 Sec. 2. Section 9-388 of the general statutes is repealed and the
14 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

15 Whenever a convention of a political party is held for the
16 endorsement of candidates for nomination to state or district office,
17 each candidate endorsed at such convention shall file with the
18 Secretary of the State a certificate, signed by him, stating that he was
19 endorsed by such convention, his name as he authorizes it to appear

20 on the ballot, his full residence address and the title and district, if
21 applicable, of the office for which he was endorsed. Such certificate
22 shall be attested by either (1) the chairman or presiding officer, or (2)
23 the secretary of such convention and shall be received by the Secretary
24 of the State not later than four o'clock p.m. on the fourteenth day after
25 the close of such convention. Such certificate shall either be mailed to
26 the Secretary of the State by certified mail, return receipt requested, or
27 delivered in person, in which case a receipt indicating the date and
28 time of delivery shall be provided by the Secretary of the State to the
29 person making delivery. If a certificate of a party's endorsement for a
30 particular state or district office is not received by the Secretary of the
31 State by such time, such certificate shall be invalid and such party, for
32 purposes of section 9-416 and section 9-416a shall be deemed to have
33 made no endorsement of any candidate for such office. If applicable,
34 the chairman of a party's state convention shall, forthwith upon the
35 close of such convention, file with the Secretary of the State the names
36 and full residence addresses of persons selected by such convention as
37 the nominees of such party for electors of President and Vice-President
38 of the United States in accordance with the provisions of section 9-175.

39 Sec. 3. Section 9-391 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is
40 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
41 *passage*):

42 (a) Each endorsement of a candidate to run in a primary for the
43 nomination of candidates for municipal office to be voted upon at a
44 municipal election, or for the election of town committee members
45 shall be made under the provisions of section 9-390, as amended by
46 this act, not earlier than the fifty-sixth day or later than the forty-ninth
47 day preceding the day of such primary. The endorsement shall be
48 certified to the clerk of the municipality by either (1) the chairman or
49 presiding officer, [and] or (2) the secretary of the town committee,
50 caucus or convention, as the case may be, not later than four o'clock
51 p.m. on the forty-eighth day preceding the day of such primary. Such
52 certification shall contain the name and street address of each person
53 so endorsed, the title of the office or the position as committee member

54 and the name or number of the political subdivision or district, if any,
55 for which each such person is endorsed. If such a certificate of a party's
56 endorsement is not received by the town clerk by such time, such
57 certificate shall be invalid and such party, for purposes of sections 9-
58 417, 9-418, as amended, and 9-419, shall be deemed to have neither
59 made nor certified such endorsement of any candidate for such office.

60 (b) Each selection of delegates to a state or district convention shall
61 be made in accordance with the provisions of section 9-390, as
62 amended by this act, not earlier than the one-hundred-fortieth day and
63 not later than the one-hundred-thirty-third day preceding the day of
64 the primary for such state or district office. Such selection shall be
65 certified to the clerk of the municipality by the chairman or presiding
66 officer and the secretary of the town committee or caucus, as the case
67 may be, not later than four o'clock p.m. on the one-hundred-thirty-
68 second day preceding the day of such primary. Each such certification
69 shall contain the name and street address of each person so selected,
70 the position as delegate, and the name or number of the political
71 subdivision or district, if any, for which each such person is selected. If
72 such a certificate of a party's selection is not received by the town clerk
73 by such time, such certificate shall be invalid and such party, for
74 purposes of sections 9-417 and 9-420, shall be deemed to have neither
75 made nor certified any selection of any person for the position of
76 delegate.

77 (c) Each endorsement of a candidate to run in a primary for the
78 nomination of candidates for a municipal office to be voted upon at a
79 state election shall be made under the provisions of section 9-390, as
80 amended by this act, not earlier than the eighty-fourth day or later
81 than the seventy-seventh day preceding the day of such primary. Any
82 certification to be filed under this subsection shall be received by the
83 Secretary of the State, in the case of a candidate for the office of state
84 senator or state representative, or the town clerk, in the case of a
85 candidate for any other municipal office to be voted upon at a state
86 election, not later than four o'clock p.m. on the fourteenth day after the
87 close of the town committee meeting, caucus or convention, as the case

88 may be. If such a certificate of a party's endorsement is not received by
89 the Secretary of the State or the town clerk, as the case may be, by such
90 time, such certificate shall be invalid and such party, for the purposes
91 of sections 9-417 and 9-418, as amended, shall be deemed to have
92 neither made nor certified any endorsement of any candidate for such
93 office. The candidate so endorsed for a municipal office to be voted
94 upon at a state election, other than the office of justice of the peace,
95 shall file with the Secretary of the State or the town clerk, as the case
96 may be, a certificate, signed by that candidate, stating that such
97 candidate was so endorsed, the candidate's name as the candidate
98 authorizes it to appear on the ballot, the candidate's full street address
99 and the title and district of the office for which the candidate was
100 endorsed. Such certificate shall be attested by the chairman or
101 presiding officer and the secretary of the town committee, caucus or
102 convention which made such endorsement. The endorsement of
103 candidates for the office of justice of the peace shall be certified to the
104 clerk of the municipality by the chairman or presiding officer and the
105 secretary of the town committee, caucus or convention, and shall
106 contain the name and street address of each person so endorsed and
107 the title of the office for which each such person is endorsed.

108 Sec. 4. Section 9-404a of the general statutes is repealed and the
109 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

110 Petition forms for candidacies for nomination by a political party to
111 a state office, as defined in section 9-372, or the district office of
112 representative in Congress shall be available from the Secretary of the
113 State beginning on the one-hundred-fifth day preceding the day of the
114 primary for such state and district offices. Petition forms for
115 candidacies for nomination by a political party to the district office of
116 judge of probate, state senator or state representative shall be available
117 from the Secretary of the State beginning on the [day following the
118 close of the district convention held for the purpose of nominating
119 such party's candidate for such office] seventy-seventh day preceding
120 the day of the primary for such office. Any person who requests a
121 petition form shall give the person's name and address and the name,

122 address and office sought of each candidate for whom the petition is
123 being obtained and shall file a statement signed by each such
124 candidate that such candidate consents to be a candidate for such
125 office. Each such candidate shall include on the statement of consent
126 the candidate's name as the candidate authorizes it to appear on the
127 ballot. Upon receiving such information and statement, the Secretary
128 shall type or print on a petition form the name and address of each
129 such candidate, the office sought and the political party holding the
130 primary. The Secretary shall give to any person requesting such form
131 one or more petition pages, suitable for duplication, as the Secretary
132 deems necessary. If the person is requesting the form on behalf of an
133 indigent candidate or a group of indigent candidates listed on the
134 same petition, the Secretary shall give the person the number of
135 original pages that the person requests or the number which the
136 Secretary deems sufficient. An original petition page filled in by the
137 Secretary may be duplicated by or on behalf of the candidate or
138 candidates listed on the page and signatures may be obtained on such
139 duplicates. The duplicates may be filed in the same manner and shall
140 be subject to the same requirements as original petition pages. All
141 information relative to primary petitions shall be a public record.

142 Sec. 5. Subsection (d) of section 9-390 of the general statutes is
143 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
144 *passage*):

145 (d) The selection of party-endorsed candidates in the manner
146 provided in subsection (a) or (c) of this section and the selection of
147 delegates to conventions in the manner provided in subsection (b) of
148 this section shall be made and certified to the clerk of the municipality
149 or the Secretary of the State, as the case may be, within the time
150 specified in section 9-391, as amended by this act.

151 Sec. 6. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-400 of the general statutes
152 are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
153 *from passage*):

154 (a) A candidacy for nomination by a political party to a state office
155 may be filed by or on behalf of any person whose name appears upon
156 the last-completed enrollment list of such party in any municipality
157 within the state and who has either (1) received at least fifteen per cent
158 of the votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll-
159 call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a
160 candidate for such state office, whether or not the party-endorsed
161 candidate for such office received a unanimous vote on the last ballot,
162 or (2) circulated a petition and obtained the signatures of at least two
163 per cent of the enrolled members of such party in the state, in
164 accordance with the provisions of sections 9-404a to 9-404c, inclusive,
165 as amended by this act. Candidacies described in subdivision (1) of
166 this subsection shall be filed by submitting to the Secretary of the State
167 not later than four o'clock p.m. on the fourteenth day following the
168 close of the state convention, a certificate, signed by such candidate
169 and attested by either (A) the chairman or presiding officer, or (B) the
170 secretary of the convention, that such candidate received at least fifteen
171 per cent of such votes, and that such candidate consents to be a
172 candidate in a primary of such party for such state office. Such
173 certificate shall specify the candidate's name as the candidate
174 authorizes it to appear on the ballot, the candidate's full residence
175 address and the title of the office for which the candidacy is being
176 filed. A single such certificate or petition for state office may be filed
177 on behalf of two or more candidates for different state offices who
178 consent to have their names appear on a single row of the primary
179 ballot label under subsection (b) of section 9-437. Candidacies
180 described in subdivision (2) of this subsection shall be filed by
181 submitting said petition not later than four o'clock p.m. on the
182 [fourteenth] sixty-third day [following the close of the state
183 convention] preceding the day of the primary for such office to the
184 registrar of voters of the towns in which the respective petition pages
185 were circulated. Each registrar shall file each page of such petition with
186 the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of section 9-404c. A
187 petition filed by or on behalf of a candidate for state office shall be
188 invalid for such candidate if such candidate is certified as the party-

189 endorsed candidate pursuant to section 9-388, as amended by this act,
190 or as receiving at least fifteen per cent of the convention vote for such
191 office pursuant to this subsection. Except as provided in section 9-416a,
192 upon the expiration of the [fourteen-day period] time period for party
193 endorsement and circulation and [the completion of the] tabulation of
194 [petition] petitions and signatures, if any, if one or more candidacies
195 for such state office have been filed pursuant to the provisions of this
196 section, the Secretary of the State shall notify all town clerks in
197 accordance with the provisions of section 9-433, that a primary for
198 such state office shall be held in each municipality in accordance with
199 the provisions of section 9-415.

200 (b) A candidacy for nomination by a political party to a district
201 office may be filed by or on behalf of any person whose name appears
202 upon the last-completed enrollment list of such party within any
203 municipality or part of a municipality forming a component part of
204 such district and who has either (1) received at least fifteen per cent of
205 the votes of the convention delegates present and voting on any roll-
206 call vote taken on the endorsement or proposed endorsement of a
207 candidate for such district office, whether or not the party-endorsed
208 candidate for such office received a unanimous vote on the last ballot,
209 or (2) circulated a petition and obtained the signatures of at least two
210 per cent of the enrolled members of such party in the district for the
211 district office of representative in Congress, and at least five per cent of
212 the enrolled members of such party in the district for the district offices
213 of state senator, state representative and judge of probate, in
214 accordance with the provisions of sections 9-404a to 9-404c, inclusive,
215 as amended by this act. Candidacies described in subdivision (1) of
216 this subsection shall be filed by submitting to the Secretary of the State
217 not later than four o'clock p.m. on the fourteenth day following the
218 close of the district convention, a certificate, signed by such candidate
219 and attested by either (A) the chairman or presiding officer, or (B) the
220 secretary of the convention, that such candidate received at least fifteen
221 per cent of such votes, and that the candidate consents to be a
222 candidate in a primary of such party for such district office. Such

223 certificate shall specify the candidate's name as the candidate
224 authorizes it to appear on the ballot, the candidate's full residence
225 address and the title and district of the office for which the candidacy
226 is being filed. Candidacies described in subdivision (2) of this
227 subsection shall be filed by submitting said petition not later than four
228 o'clock p.m. on the [fourteenth] sixty-third day [following the close of
229 the district convention] preceding the day of the primary for such
230 office to the registrar of voters of the towns in which the respective
231 petition pages were circulated. Each registrar shall file each page of
232 such petition with the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of
233 section 9-404c. A petition may only be filed by or on behalf of a
234 candidate for the district office of state senator, state representative or
235 judge of probate who is not certified as the party-endorsed candidate
236 pursuant to section 9-388, as amended by this act, or as receiving at
237 least fifteen per cent of the convention vote for such office pursuant to
238 this subsection. A petition filed by or on behalf of a candidate for the
239 district office of representative in Congress shall be invalid if said
240 candidate is certified as the party-endorsed candidate pursuant to
241 section 9-388, as amended by this act, or as receiving at least fifteen per
242 cent of the convention vote for such office pursuant to this subsection.
243 Except as provided in section 9-416a, upon the expiration of the
244 [fourteen-day period] time period for party endorsement and
245 circulation and [the completion of the] tabulation of [petition] petitions
246 and signatures, if any, if one or more candidacies for such district
247 office have been filed pursuant to the provisions of this section, the
248 Secretary of the State shall notify all town clerks within the district, in
249 accordance with the provisions of section 9-433, that a primary for
250 such district office shall be held in each municipality and each part of a
251 municipality within the district in accordance with the provisions of
252 section 9-415.

253 Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 9-405 of the general statutes is
254 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
255 *passage*):

256 (a) (1) Candidacies of persons other than party-endorsed candidates

257 for nomination by a political party to a municipal office to be voted
258 upon at a municipal election, or for election as town committee
259 members shall be filed with the registrar, as provided in section 9-406,
260 not later than four o'clock p.m. on the thirty-fourth day preceding the
261 day of the primary of such party for the nomination of candidates for
262 such office or for the election of town committee members. Said day
263 and hour shall be specified on the petition forms.

264 (2) Candidacies of persons, other than party-endorsed candidates,
265 for nomination by a political party to a municipal office to be voted
266 upon at a state election shall be filed with the registrars, as provided in
267 section 9-406, not later than four o'clock p.m. on the [fourteenth day
268 following the making of the party's endorsement of a candidate] ~~sixty-~~
269 ~~third day preceding the day of the primary~~ for such office. Said day
270 and hour shall be specified on the petition forms.

271 Sec. 8. Section 9-258 of the general statutes is repealed and the
272 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

273 The election officials of each polling place, except voting machine
274 mechanics, shall be electors of the town and shall consist of one
275 moderator, two official checkers, [two registrars of voters or] two
276 assistant registrars of voters [, as the case may be,] of opposite political
277 parties, not more than two challengers if the registrars of voters have
278 appointed challengers pursuant to section 9-232, and [at least one and
279 not more than two] one voting machine [tenders] tender for each
280 voting machine in use at the polling place. A known candidate for any
281 office shall not serve as an election official on election day or serve at
282 the polls in any capacity, except that a municipal clerk or a registrar of
283 voters, who is a candidate for the same office, may perform his official
284 duties. If, in the opinion of the municipal officials, the public
285 convenience of the electors in any voting district so requires, provision
286 shall be made for an additional line or lines of electors at the polling
287 place and, if more than one line of electors is established, two
288 additional official checkers for each line of electors shall be appointed
289 and, if more than one machine is used in a polling place, [at least one

290 and not more than two additional] one voting machine [tenders]
291 tender shall be appointed for each additional machine so used. Head
292 moderators, central counting moderators, absentee ballot counters and
293 voting machine mechanics appointed pursuant to law shall also be
294 deemed election officials. No election official shall perform services for
295 any party or candidate on election day.

296 Sec. 9. Section 9-232e of the general statutes is repealed and the
297 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

298 Any person requesting a challenged ballot and entitled thereto shall
299 announce his name to the checkers who shall [cross his name off the
300 registry list and add it with his address to the end of the official list
301 where it shall be designated "Challenged Ballot" and serially
302 numbered] write before such person's name "CB" for Challenged Ballot
303 and not marked as voting in person on the voting machine. The
304 challenged ballot shall be an absentee ballot. After the voter has so
305 announced his name, the moderator shall deliver to such voter a
306 challenged ballot together with an envelope marked "Challenged
307 Ballot" and serially numbered. The challenged voter shall forthwith
308 mark the ballot in the presence of the [moderator] polling place
309 officials in such manner that the [moderator] polling place officials
310 shall not know how the ballot is marked. He shall then fold the ballot
311 in the presence of the [moderator] polling place officials so as to
312 conceal the markings and deposit and seal it in the serially-numbered
313 envelope. He shall then deliver such envelope to the moderator. The
314 moderator shall retain all such envelopes in an envelope prescribed by
315 the Secretary of the State and provided by the municipal clerk which
316 he shall seal immediately following the close of the polls.

317 Sec. 10. Section 9-263 of the general statutes is repealed and the
318 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

319 If any voting machine used in any voting district, during the time
320 the polls are open, becomes damaged so as to render it inoperative in
321 whole or in part, the moderator shall immediately give notice thereof

322 to the registrars of voters under whose direction the machine was
323 prepared under section 9-243 and such registrars, if possible, shall
324 substitute a perfect machine for the damaged machine, and, at the
325 close of the polls, the records of both machines shall be taken and the
326 votes shown on their counters shall be added together in ascertaining
327 and determining the result of the election. If no other machine is in use
328 in the polling place such registrars shall immediately permit the use by
329 the electors of emergency paper ballots provided by the municipal
330 clerk to the moderator pursuant to section 9-259. Such ballots shall be
331 received by the election officials and placed by them in a receptacle to
332 be provided therefor and counted with the votes registered on the
333 voting machine and the result declared in the same manner as if there
334 had been no accident to the voting machine. The emergency paper
335 ballot shall be an absentee ballot. Emergency paper ballots shall be cast
336 in the following manner. The elector shall announce the elector's name
337 to the official checkers who shall [cross the elector's name off the
338 registry list and add it with the elector's address to the end of] mark
339 the official checklist with "EPB" in front of the elector's name to [where
340 it shall] be designated "Emergency Paper Ballot". [or "EPB" and serially
341 numbered.] After the elector has so announced the elector's name, the
342 moderator shall deliver to such elector an emergency paper ballot
343 together with the serially numbered envelope. The elector shall
344 forthwith mark the ballot in the presence of the [moderator] polling
345 place officials in such manner that the [moderator] polling place
346 officials shall not know how the ballot is marked. The elector shall then
347 fold the ballot in the presence of the [moderator] polling place officials
348 so as to conceal the markings and deposit and seal it in the serially
349 numbered envelope. The elector shall then deliver the envelope to the
350 moderator who shall place it in a specially designated depository
351 envelope. The emergency paper ballots thus received shall be counted
352 at the next scheduled absentee ballot count in the same manner as
353 other absentee ballots, provided no such ballot may be counted unless
354 all provisions of this section have been complied with. Such ballots so
355 counted shall be preserved by replacing them into the special
356 depository envelopes along with a certificate signed by the moderator

357 and registrars of voters setting forth the circumstances under which
358 such emergency paper ballots were cast. Use of emergency paper
359 ballots shall be discontinued immediately upon replacement or repair
360 of at least one machine, provided no repair shall be made on a voting
361 machine on which any vote was cast, unless such repair would not
362 affect the manner in which votes are recorded on such machine, as
363 provided in subsection (b) of section 9-246.

364 Sec. 11. Section 9-264 of the general statutes is repealed and the
365 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

366 (a) An elector who requires assistance to vote, by reason of
367 blindness, disability or inability to write or to read the ballot, may be
368 given assistance by a person of the elector's choice, other than (1) the
369 elector's employer, (2) an agent of such employer, or (3) an officer or
370 agent of the elector's union. The person assisting the elector may
371 accompany the elector into the voting machine booth. Such person
372 shall register such elector's vote upon the machine as such elector
373 directs. Any person accompanying an elector into the voting machine
374 booth who deceives any elector in registering his vote under this
375 section or seeks to influence any elector while in the act of voting, or
376 who registers any vote for any elector or on any question other than as
377 requested by such elector, or who gives information to any person as
378 to what person or persons such elector voted for, or how he voted on
379 any question, shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or
380 imprisoned not more than five years or both.

381 (b) Paper ballots provided by the municipal clerk to the moderator
382 pursuant to section 9-259 shall be made available for electors with
383 disabilities in polling places in which a voting machine cannot be
384 adjusted to allow all necessary parts to be reached from a chair. Such
385 paper ballots shall be used at the option of the elector with disabilities.
386 The elector shall announce the elector's name to the official checkers
387 who shall [cross the elector's name off the registry list and add it with
388 the elector's address to the end of the official checklist where it shall
389 be] mark the official checklist with "PBD" in front of the elector's name

390 to be designated "paper ballot for persons with disabilities". [or "PBD"
391 and serially numbered.] After the elector has so announced the
392 elector's name, the moderator shall deliver to the elector an absentee
393 ballot and a serially-numbered envelope. The elector shall forthwith
394 mark the ballot in the presence of the [moderator] polling place
395 officials in such manner that the [moderator] polling place officials
396 shall not know how the ballot is marked. The elector shall fold the
397 ballot in the presence of the [moderator] polling place officials so as to
398 conceal the markings and deposit and seal it in the serially-numbered
399 envelope. The elector shall deliver the envelope to the moderator who
400 shall place it in a specially-designated depository envelope. The paper
401 ballots thus received shall be counted at the next scheduled absentee
402 ballot count in the same manner as other absentee ballots. Such ballots
403 so counted shall be preserved by placing them in the depository
404 envelopes with the regular absentee ballots, and such serially-
405 numbered envelopes shall be placed in the depository envelopes with
406 the regular absentee ballot envelopes.

407 Sec. 12. Section 9-249 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
408 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
409 *from passage*):

410 (a) Before each election, the [municipal clerk,] registrars of voters,
411 certified moderator and certified mechanic shall instruct the election
412 officials. Any provision of the general statutes or of any special act to
413 the contrary notwithstanding, election officials shall be appointed at
414 least twenty days before the election except as provided in section 9-
415 229. The [clerk,] registrars, certified moderator and certified mechanic
416 shall instruct each election official who is to serve in a voting district in
417 which a voting machine is to be used in the use of the machine and his
418 duties in connection therewith, and for the purpose of giving such
419 instruction, such instructors shall call such meeting or meetings of the
420 election officials as are necessary. Such instructors shall, without delay,
421 file a report in the office of the municipal clerk and with the Secretary
422 of the State, (1) stating that they have instructed the election officials
423 named in the report and the time and place where such instruction

424 was given, and (2) containing a signed statement from each such
425 election official acknowledging that the official has received such
426 instruction.

427 (b) The election officials of such voting districts shall attend the
428 elections training program developed under subdivision (1) of
429 subsection (c) of section 9-192a, as amended, and any other meeting or
430 meetings as are called for the purpose of receiving such instructions
431 concerning their duties as are necessary for the proper conduct of the
432 election.

433 (c) Each election official who qualifies for and serves in the election
434 shall be paid not less than one dollar for the time spent in receiving
435 such instruction, in the same manner and at the same time as the
436 official is paid for the official's services on election day.

437 (d) No election official shall serve in any election unless the official
438 has received such instruction and is fully qualified to perform the
439 official's duties in connection with the election, but this shall not
440 prevent the appointment of an election official to fill a vacancy in an
441 emergency.

442 Sec. 13. Section 9-23n of the general statutes is repealed and the
443 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

444 (a) As used in this section, "voter registration agency" means (1)
445 public assistance offices, (2) all offices in the state that provide
446 state-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to
447 persons with disabilities, (3) libraries that are open to the public, and
448 (4) such other appropriate offices as the Secretary of the State shall
449 designate in accordance with the National Voter Registration Act of
450 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time.

451 (b) Voter registration agencies shall (1) distribute mail voter
452 registration application forms, (2) assist applicants for such assistance
453 or services in completing voter registration application forms, except
454 for applicants who refuse such assistance, (3) accept completed voter

455 registration application forms and provide each applicant with an
456 application receipt, on which the agency shall record the date that the
457 agency received the application, using an official date stamp bearing
458 the name of the agency, and (4) immediately transmit all such
459 applications to the registrars of voters of the town of voting residence
460 of the applicants. The agency shall provide such receipt whether the
461 application was submitted in person or by mail. If a registration
462 application is accepted within five days before the last day for
463 registration to vote in a regular election, the application shall be
464 transmitted to the registrars of voters of the town of voting residence
465 of the applicant not later than five days after the date of acceptance.
466 The voter registration agency shall indicate on the completed mail
467 voter registration application form, without indicating the identity of
468 the voter registration agency, the date of its acceptance by such agency,
469 to ensure that any eligible applicant is registered to vote in an election
470 if it is received by the registration agency by the last day for
471 registration to vote in an election. If a state-funded program primarily
472 engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities provides
473 services to a person with a disability at the person's home, the agency
474 shall provide such voter registration services at the person's home. The
475 procedures in subsections (c), (d), (f) and (g) of section 9-23g, as
476 amended by this act, that are not inconsistent with the National Voter
477 Registration Act of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time,
478 shall apply to applications made under this section. Officials and
479 employees of such voter registration agencies are not admitting
480 officials, as defined in section 9-17a, and may not restore, under the
481 provisions of section 9-46a, as amended by this act, electoral privileges
482 of persons convicted of a felony.

483 (c) In addition to the duties described in subsection (b) of this
484 section, each such public assistance office and office in the state that
485 provides state-funded programs primarily engaged in providing
486 services to persons with disabilities shall train new employees of such
487 office in any training instruction prescribed by the Secretary of the
488 State for employees of voter registration agencies. Once every six

489 months, such training shall be readministered for current employees of
490 such office.

491 (d) Not later than January 1, 2007, each such public assistance office
492 and office in the state that provides state-funded programs primarily
493 engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities shall
494 designate a voter registration coordinator who shall be responsible for
495 compiling and transmitting such voter registration information to the
496 Secretary of the State, as required by section 9-23o, as amended by this
497 act.

498 Sec. 14. Section 9-23o of the general statutes is repealed and the
499 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

500 (a) A voter registration agency, as defined in section 9-23n, as
501 amended by this act, shall comply with the National Voter Registration
502 Act of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time, and shall
503 distribute with each application for service or assistance provided by
504 the agency, and with each recertification, renewal or change of address
505 form relating to such service or assistance a mail voter registration
506 application form approved by the Secretary of the State unless the
507 applicant declines to register to vote pursuant to the provisions of the
508 National Voter Registration Act of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from
509 time to time. Such declination shall be in writing, except in the case of
510 an application for service or assistance provided by a library, or a
511 recertification, renewal or change of address form relating to such
512 library service or assistance. Such voter registration agency shall
513 provide each applicant to register to vote the same degree of assistance
514 with regard to the completion of the registration application form as is
515 provided by the agency with regard to the completion of its own
516 forms, unless the applicant refuses such assistance.

517 (b) In addition to the duties described in subsection (a) of this
518 section, not later than October 1, 2007, each public assistance office and
519 office in the state that provides state-funded programs primarily
520 engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities shall

521 develop a system to distribute a mail voter registration application
522 form approved by the Secretary of the State to any person who, by
523 means of mail, telephone or Internet communication, files a change of
524 address with such office, unless the applicant declines to register to
525 vote pursuant to the provisions of the National Voter Registration Act
526 of 1993, P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time.

527 (c) Each such public assistance office and office in the state that
528 provides state-funded programs primarily engaged in providing
529 services to persons with disabilities shall have its voter registration
530 coordinator, as described in section 9-23n, as amended by this act, keep
531 a record of the number of clients who: (1) Complete a voter registration
532 application in such office, (2) take home such a voter registration
533 application from such office, (3) decline to register to vote, (4) are
534 already registered to vote, (5) interact by means of mail, telephone or
535 Internet communication with such office, and (6) decline to register to
536 vote because they are not citizens of the United States. Additionally,
537 each such office shall keep a record of the total traffic flow of persons
538 in such office. Any information required to be kept pursuant to the
539 provisions of this subsection shall be transmitted by such office to the
540 Secretary of the State at such times and in such manner as prescribed
541 by the Secretary of the State.

542 Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) Notwithstanding any
543 provision of the general statutes, the Secretary of the State may
544 develop a plan to institute a system for the simultaneous electronic
545 registration for any public assistance program administered by the
546 state and for voter registration.

547 Sec. 16. Subsection (c) of section 9-702 of the 2006 supplement to the
548 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
549 thereof (*Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or*
550 *after said date*):

551 (c) A candidate participating in the Citizens' Election Program shall
552 limit the expenditures of the candidate's candidate committee (A)

553 before a primary campaign and a general election campaign, to the
554 amount of qualifying contributions permitted in section 9-705 and any
555 personal funds provided by the candidate under subsection (c) of
556 section 9-710, (B) for a primary campaign, to the sum of (i) the amount
557 of such qualifying contributions and personal funds that have not been
558 spent before the primary campaign, (ii) the amount of the grant for the
559 primary campaign authorized under section 9-705, and (iii) the amount
560 of any additional moneys for the primary campaign authorized under
561 section 9-713 or 9-714, and (C) for a general election campaign, to the
562 sum of (i) the amount of such qualifying contributions and personal
563 funds that have not been spent before the general election campaign,
564 (ii) any unexpended funds from any grant for a primary campaign
565 authorized under section 9-705 or from any additional moneys for a
566 primary campaign authorized under section 9-713 or 9-714, (iii) the
567 amount of the grant for the general election campaign authorized
568 under section 9-705, and (iv) the amount of any additional moneys for
569 the general election campaign authorized under section 9-713 or 9-714.
570 The candidate committee of a minor or petitioning party candidate
571 who has received a partial grant from the fund pursuant to section 9-
572 705 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, shall be permitted
573 to receive contributions in addition to the qualifying contributions
574 subject to the limitations and restrictions applicable to
575 nonparticipating candidates for the same office, provided the
576 participating candidate shall limit the expenditures of the candidate
577 committee for a general election campaign to the sum of the qualifying
578 contributions and personal funds, the amount of the partial grant
579 received and the amount raised in additional contributions that is
580 equivalent to the difference between the full grant and the partial grant
581 received.

582 Sec. 17. Subsection (a) of section 9-703 of the 2006 supplement to the
583 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
584 thereof (*Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or*
585 *after said date*):

586 (a) Each candidate for nomination or election to the office of state

senator or state representative in 2008, or thereafter, or the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer in 2010, or thereafter, shall file an affidavit with the State Elections Enforcement Commission. The affidavit shall include a written certification that the candidate either intends to abide by the expenditure limits under the Citizens' Election Program set forth in subsection (c) of section 9-702, as amended by this act, or does not intend to abide by said limits. If the candidate intends to abide by said limits, the affidavit shall also include written certifications (1) that the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee for said candidate shall expend any moneys received from the Citizens' Election Fund in accordance with the provisions of subsection (g) of section 9-333i, as amended by this act, and regulations adopted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission under subsection (e) of section 9-706, (2) that the candidate shall repay to the fund any such moneys that are not expended in accordance with subsection (g) of said section 9-333i, as amended by this act, and said regulations, (3) that the candidate and the campaign treasurer shall comply with the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 9-711, and (4) stating the candidate's status as a major party, minor party or petitioning party candidate and, in the case of a major party or minor party candidate, the name of such party. The written certification described in subdivision (3) of this subsection shall be made by both the candidate and the campaign treasurer of the candidate committee for said candidate. A candidate for nomination or election to any such office shall file such affidavit not later than four o'clock p.m. on the twenty-fifth day before the day of a primary, if applicable, or on the fortieth day before the day of the election for such office, except that in the case of a special election for the office of state senator or state representative, the candidate shall file such affidavit not later than four o'clock p.m. on the twenty-fifth day before the day of such special election.

Sec. 18. Subsection (d) of section 9-706 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

621 thereof (*Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or*
622 *after said date*):

623 (d) Not later than three business days following receipt of any such
624 application, the commission shall review the application, determine
625 whether (1) the candidate committee for the applicant has received the
626 required qualifying contributions, (2) in the case of an application for a
627 grant from the fund for a primary campaign, the applicant has met the
628 applicable condition under subsection (a) of this section for applying
629 for such grant and complied with the provisions of subsections (b) and
630 (c) of this section, and at least either one other participating candidate
631 for nomination in the primary, from the same party and for the same
632 office as the applicant, has also received the required qualifying
633 contributions or at least one nonparticipating candidate for nomination
634 in the primary, from the same party and for the same office as the
635 applicant, has received an amount of contributions equal to the
636 amount of such qualifying contributions, (3) in the case of an
637 application for a grant from the fund for a general election campaign,
638 the applicant has met the applicable condition under subsection (a) of
639 this section for applying for such moneys and complied with the
640 provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this section, and (4) in the case
641 of an application by a minor party or petitioning party candidate for a
642 grant from the fund for a general election campaign, the applicant
643 qualifies as an eligible minor party candidate or an eligible petitioning
644 party candidate, whichever is applicable. Upon receipt of any such
645 application from a candidate for the primary, the commission shall
646 require the treasurer of all opposing candidates in that primary to
647 submit a statement sworn to under oath, on a form prescribed by the
648 commission, not more than forty-eight hours later, that contains an
649 itemized accounting of all funds received to date, in order to determine
650 whether the applicant qualifies for a primary grant in accordance with
651 subdivision (2) of this subsection. The commission shall require that
652 the statement be submitted electronically. If the commission approves
653 an application, the commission shall determine the amount of the
654 grant payable to the candidate committee for the applicant pursuant to

655 section 9-705 from the fund, and notify the State Comptroller and the
656 candidate of such candidate committee, of such amount. Not later than
657 two business days following notification by the commission, the State
658 Comptroller shall draw an order on the State Treasurer for payment of
659 such amount to the qualified candidate committee from the fund.

660 Sec. 19. Section 9-712 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
661 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
662 *December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date*):

663 (a) (1) If a candidate committee in a primary campaign or a general
664 election campaign in which there is at least one participating candidate
665 initially makes, or incurs an obligation to make, an expenditure that is
666 in excess of ninety per cent of the applicable grant for said
667 participating candidate or candidates for said campaign authorized
668 under section 9-705, the campaign treasurer of the candidate
669 committee making the excess expenditure shall file a supplemental
670 campaign finance statement with the State Elections Enforcement
671 Commission, not later than forty-eight hours after making or incurring
672 said expenditure.

673 (2) After the initial filing of a statement under subdivision (1) of this
674 subsection, the campaign treasurer of the candidate filing the
675 statement and [all] the campaign treasurer of all of the opposing
676 candidates shall file supplemental campaign finance statements with
677 the commission on the following schedule: (A) In the case of a primary
678 campaign, on the first Thursday following the date in July on which
679 candidates are required to file campaign finance statements pursuant
680 to subsection (a) of section 9-333j, as amended, or the first Thursday
681 following the supplemental campaign finance statement filed under
682 subdivision (1) of this subsection, whichever is later, and each
683 Thursday thereafter until the Thursday before the day of the primary,
684 inclusive, and (B) in the case of a general election campaign, on the
685 first Thursday following the date in October on which candidates are
686 required to file campaign finance statements pursuant to subsection (a)
687 of section 9-333j, as amended, or the first Thursday following the

688 supplemental campaign finance statement filed under subdivision (1)
689 of this subsection, whichever is later, and each Thursday thereafter
690 until the Thursday before the day of the election, inclusive.

691 (3) Each supplemental statement required under subdivision (1) or
692 (2) of this subsection for a candidate shall disclose the name of the
693 candidate, the name of the candidate's campaign committee and the
694 total amount of campaign expenditures made or obligated to be made
695 by such candidate committee during the primary campaign or the
696 general election campaign, whichever is applicable, as of the day
697 before the date on which such statement is required to be filed. The
698 commission shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions
699 of chapter 54, specifying permissible media for the transmission of
700 such statements to the commission, which shall include electronic mail.

701 (b) (1) As used in this subsection, "excess expenditure" means [(A)]
702 an expenditure made, or obligated to be made, by a nonparticipating
703 or a participating candidate who is opposed by one or more other
704 participating candidates in a primary campaign or a general election
705 campaign, which is in excess of the amount of the [applicable grant]
706 limit on expenditures for said participating candidates for said
707 campaign authorized under section [9-705] 9-702, as amended by this
708 act.] or (B) an expenditure made, or obligated to be made by a
709 participating candidate who is opposed by one or more other
710 participating candidates in a primary campaign or a general election
711 campaign, which is in excess of the sum of (i) the amount of the
712 applicable qualifying contributions that a candidate is required to
713 receive under section 9-704 to be eligible for grants from the Citizens'
714 Election Fund, and (ii) the amount of the applicable grant for said
715 participating candidates for said campaign authorized under section 9-
716 705.]

717 (2) If a candidate committee makes, or incurs the obligation to make,
718 an excess expenditure more than twenty days before the day of a
719 primary or an election, the campaign treasurer of said candidate shall
720 file a declaration of excess expenditures with the commission not later

721 than forty-eight hours after making or incurring said expenditure. If
722 said candidate committee makes, or incurs the obligation to make, an
723 excess expenditure twenty days or less before the day of a primary or
724 an election, the campaign treasurer of said candidate shall file such
725 declaration with the commission not later than twenty-four hours after
726 making or incurring the expenditure.

727 (3) The commission shall confirm whether an expenditure described
728 in a declaration filed under this subsection is an excess expenditure.

729 (c) If a campaign treasurer fails to file any statement or declaration
730 required by this section within the time required, said campaign
731 treasurer shall be subject to a civil penalty, imposed by the
732 commission, of not more than one thousand dollars for the first failure
733 to file the statement within the time required and not more than five
734 thousand dollars for any subsequent such failure.

735 Sec. 20. Section 9-333l of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
736 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
737 *December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date*):

738 (a) Any provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, a
739 candidate committee may join with one or more candidate committees
740 to establish a political committee for the purpose of sponsoring one or
741 more fund-raising events for those candidates. Any individual, other
742 than a candidate benefited, who is eligible and qualifies to serve in
743 accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of section 9-333h may
744 serve as the campaign treasurer or deputy campaign treasurer of such
745 a political committee. The statements required to be filed by a political
746 committee under this chapter shall apply to any political committee
747 established pursuant to this subsection. After all expenses of the
748 political committee have been paid by its campaign treasurer for each
749 event, he shall distribute all remaining funds from such event to the
750 campaign treasurers of each of the candidate committees which
751 established the political committee. The distribution to each candidate
752 committee shall be made not later than fourteen days after the event,

753 either in accordance with a prior agreement of the candidates or, if no
754 prior agreement was made, in equal proportions to each candidate
755 committee. Any contribution which is made to such political
756 committee shall, for purposes of determining compliance with the
757 limitations imposed by this chapter, be deemed to have been made in
758 equal proportions to each candidate's campaign unless (1) a prior
759 agreement was made by the candidates as to the disposition of
760 remaining funds, and (2) those who contributed to the political
761 committee were notified of such disposition, in which case the
762 contribution shall be deemed to have been made to each candidate's
763 campaign in accordance with the agreement.

764 (b) A candidate committee may pay its pro rata share of the
765 expenses of operating a campaign headquarters and of preparing,
766 printing and disseminating any political communication on behalf of
767 that candidate and any other candidate or candidates.
768 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
769 section 9-333r, a candidate committee may reimburse a party
770 committee for any expenditure such party committee has incurred for
771 the benefit of such candidate committee.

772 (c) A candidate may make any expenditure permitted by section 9-
773 333i, as amended by this act, to aid or promote the success of his
774 campaign for nomination or election from his personal funds, or the
775 funds of his immediate family, which for the purposes of this chapter
776 shall consist of the candidate's spouse and issue. Any such expenditure
777 shall not be deemed a contribution to any committee.

778 (d) (1) No incumbent holding office shall, during the three months
779 preceding an election in which he is a candidate for reelection or
780 election to another office, use public funds to mail or print flyers or
781 other promotional materials intended to bring about his election or
782 reelection.

783 (2) No official or employee of the state or a political subdivision of
784 the state shall authorize the use of public funds for a television, radio,

785 movie theater, billboard, bus poster, newspaper or magazine
786 promotional campaign or advertisement, which (A) features the name,
787 face or voice of a candidate for public office, or (B) promotes the
788 nomination or election of a candidate for public office, during the
789 twelve-month period preceding the election being held for the office
790 which the candidate described in this subdivision is seeking.

791 (3) As used in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, "public
792 funds" does not include any grant or moneys paid to a qualified
793 candidate committee from the Citizens' Election Fund under sections
794 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive.

795 (e) For purposes of this subsection and subsection (f) of this section,
796 the exclusions to the term "contribution" in subsection (b) of section 9-
797 333b, as amended, shall not apply; the term "state office" means the
798 office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
799 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State; and the term
800 "state officer" means the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney
801 General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State.
802 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, during
803 any regular session of the General Assembly, during any special
804 session of the General Assembly held between the adjournment of the
805 regular session in an odd-numbered year and the convening of the
806 regular session in the following even-numbered year or during any
807 reconvened session of the General Assembly held in an odd-numbered
808 year to reconsider vetoed bills, (1) no lobbyist or political committee
809 established by or on behalf of a lobbyist shall make or offer to make a
810 contribution to or on behalf of, and no lobbyist shall solicit a
811 contribution on behalf of, (A) a candidate or exploratory committee
812 established by a candidate for nomination or election to the General
813 Assembly or a state office or (B) a political committee (i) established for
814 an assembly or senatorial district, (ii) established by a member of the
815 General Assembly or a state officer or such member or officer's agent,
816 or in consultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, any such
817 member, officer or agent, or (iii) controlled by such member, officer or
818 agent, to aid or promote the nomination or election of any candidate or

819 candidates to the General Assembly or a state office, and (2) no such
820 candidate or political committee shall accept such a contribution. The
821 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a candidate committee
822 established by a member of the General Assembly or a candidate for
823 nomination or election to the General Assembly, at a special election
824 for the General Assembly, from the date on which the candidate or the
825 chairman of the committee files the designation of a campaign
826 treasurer and a depository institution under section 9-333d with the
827 Secretary of the State, to the date on which the special election is held,
828 inclusive, or to an exploratory committee established by a member of
829 the General Assembly to promote his candidacy for an office other
830 than the General Assembly.

831 (f) A political committee established by two or more individuals
832 under subparagraph (B) of subsection (3) of section 9-333a, as
833 amended, other than a committee established solely for the purpose of
834 aiding or promoting any candidate or candidates for municipal office
835 or the success or defeat of a referendum question, shall be subject to
836 the prohibition on acceptance of lobbyist contributions under
837 subsection (e) of this section unless the campaign treasurer of the
838 committee has filed a certification that the committee is not established
839 for an assembly or senatorial district, or by a member of the General
840 Assembly or a state officer, or such member or officer's agent, or in
841 consultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, any such member,
842 officer or agent, or controlled by such member, officer or agent. The
843 campaign treasurer of any political committee established by or on
844 behalf of a lobbyist shall file a certification to that effect. Such
845 certifications shall be filed with the office of the Secretary of the State,
846 on forms prescribed by the secretary, on or before November 15, 1994,
847 for all such political committees in existence on such date, or upon the
848 registration of the committee, and on or before November fifteenth
849 biennially thereafter. The secretary shall provide to the State Elections
850 Enforcement Commission on or before December 1, 1994, and
851 biennially thereafter, a political committee registration report. The
852 report shall include a certified copy of each certification filed pursuant

853 to this subsection prior to December first of the reporting year and a
854 certified copy of a list stating the name of each political committee
855 registered pursuant to section 9-333g, as amended, prior to December
856 first of the reporting year and the name and address of the campaign
857 treasurer of each such committee. In the case of any political committee
858 which registers or files a certification on or after December first of any
859 even-numbered year but prior to November first of the following
860 even-numbered year, the secretary shall provide the commission with
861 a copy of each such registration or certification by the close of the next
862 business day following receipt. Such registration information or
863 certification shall also be included in the biennial political committee
864 registration report of the secretary to the commission. The commission
865 shall prepare a list of all such committees subject to the prohibitions
866 under subsection (e) of this section, according to the certifications filed,
867 which shall be available prior to the opening of each regular session of
868 the General Assembly, and shall provide a copy of the list to the
869 president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of
870 Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate, the minority leader
871 of the House of Representatives and each state officer. During each
872 such regular session, the commission shall prepare a supplemental list
873 of committees which register after November fifteenth and are subject
874 to such prohibitions, and the commission shall provide the
875 supplemental list to such legislative leaders and state officers. The
876 filing of the certification by the campaign treasurer of the committee
877 shall not impair the authority of the commission to act under section 9-
878 7b, as amended. Any lobbyist or campaign treasurer who acts in
879 reliance on such lists in good faith shall have an absolute defense in
880 any action brought under subsection (e) and this subsection,
881 subsection (c) of section 9-333f, as amended, and subsection (f) of
882 section 9-333j, as amended.

883 (g) Each lobbyist who is an individual and, in conjunction with
884 members of his immediate family, makes contributions to or purchases
885 from committees exceeding one thousand dollars in the aggregate
886 during the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 1993, or July first in

887 any year thereafter, shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false
888 statement, with the State Elections Enforcement Commission in
889 accordance with the provisions of section 9-333e, as amended, on the
890 second Thursday in July following the end of such twelve-month
891 period. The statement shall include: (1) The name of each committee to
892 which the lobbyist or a member of his immediate family has made a
893 contribution and the amount and date of each such contribution; and
894 (2) the name of each committee from which the lobbyist or member of
895 his immediate family has purchased any item of property or
896 advertising space in a program in connection with a fund-raising event
897 which is not considered a contribution under subsection (b) of section
898 9-333b, as amended, and the amount, date and description of each
899 such purchase. Each lobbyist who is an individual and who, in
900 conjunction with members of his immediate family, does not make
901 contributions to or purchases from committees exceeding one
902 thousand dollars in the aggregate during any such twelve-month
903 period shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false statement,
904 with the State Elections Enforcement Commission in accordance with
905 the provisions of section 9-333e, as amended, on the second Thursday
906 in July, so indicating.

907 (h) No communicator lobbyist, member of the immediate family of a
908 communicator lobbyist, or political committee established or
909 controlled by a communicator lobbyist or a member of the immediate
910 family of a communicator lobbyist shall make a contribution or
911 contributions to, or for the benefit of (1) an exploratory committee or a
912 candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or
913 election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney
914 General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, Secretary of the State, state
915 senator or state representative, (2) a political committee established or
916 controlled by any such candidate, (3) a legislative caucus committee or
917 a legislative leadership committee, or (4) a party committee.

918 (i) [(1)] No communicator lobbyist, immediate family member of a
919 communicator lobbyist, agent of a communicator lobbyist, or political
920 committee established or controlled by a communicator lobbyist or any

921 such immediate family member or agent shall solicit [(A)] a
922 contribution on behalf of a candidate committee or an exploratory
923 committee established by a candidate for the office of Governor,
924 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State
925 Treasurer, Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative, a
926 political committee established or controlled by any such candidate, a
927 legislative caucus committee, a legislative leadership committee or a
928 party committee, [or (B) the purchase of advertising space in a
929 program for a fund-raising affair sponsored by a town committee
930 pursuant to subparagraph (B) of subdivision (10) of section 9-333b.]

931 [(2)] (j) The provisions of [subdivision (1) of this subsection]
932 subsections (h) and (i) of this subsection shall not apply to the
933 campaign of a communicator lobbyist, immediate family member of a
934 communicator lobbyist or agent of a communicator lobbyist who is a
935 candidate for public office or to an immediate family member of a
936 communicator lobbyist who is an elected public official.

937 [(3)] (k) Any person who violates any provision of [this subsection]
938 subsections (h) and (i) of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty,
939 imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, of not more
940 than five thousand dollars or twice the amount of any contribution
941 donated or solicited in violation of [this subsection] subsection (h) or
942 (i) of this subsection, whichever is greater.

943 Sec. 21. Section 9-333l of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes,
944 as amended by section 20 of this act, is repealed and the following is
945 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

946 (a) Any provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, a
947 candidate committee may join with one or more candidate committees
948 to establish a political committee for the purpose of sponsoring one or
949 more fund-raising events for those candidates. Any individual, other
950 than a candidate benefited, who is eligible and qualifies to serve in
951 accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of section 9-333h may
952 serve as the campaign treasurer or deputy campaign treasurer of such

953 a political committee. The statements required to be filed by a political
954 committee under this chapter shall apply to any political committee
955 established pursuant to this subsection. After all expenses of the
956 political committee have been paid by its campaign treasurer for each
957 event, he shall distribute all remaining funds from such event to the
958 campaign treasurers of each of the candidate committees which
959 established the political committee. The distribution to each candidate
960 committee shall be made not later than fourteen days after the event,
961 either in accordance with a prior agreement of the candidates or, if no
962 prior agreement was made, in equal proportions to each candidate
963 committee. Any contribution which is made to such political
964 committee shall, for purposes of determining compliance with the
965 limitations imposed by this chapter, be deemed to have been made in
966 equal proportions to each candidate's campaign unless (1) a prior
967 agreement was made by the candidates as to the disposition of
968 remaining funds, and (2) those who contributed to the political
969 committee were notified of such disposition, in which case the
970 contribution shall be deemed to have been made to each candidate's
971 campaign in accordance with the agreement.

972 (b) A candidate committee may pay its pro rata share of the
973 expenses of operating a campaign headquarters and of preparing,
974 printing and disseminating any political communication on behalf of
975 that candidate and any other candidate or candidates.
976 Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of
977 section 9-333r, a candidate committee may reimburse a party
978 committee for any expenditure such party committee has incurred for
979 the benefit of such candidate committee.

980 (c) A candidate may make any expenditure permitted by section 9-
981 333i, as amended by this act, to aid or promote the success of his
982 campaign for nomination or election from his personal funds, or the
983 funds of his immediate family, which for the purposes of this chapter
984 shall consist of the candidate's spouse and issue. Any such expenditure
985 shall not be deemed a contribution to any committee.

986 (d) (1) No incumbent holding office shall, during the three months
987 preceding an election in which he is a candidate for reelection or
988 election to another office, use public funds to mail or print flyers or
989 other promotional materials intended to bring about his election or
990 reelection.

991 (2) No official or employee of the state or a political subdivision of
992 the state shall authorize the use of public funds for a television, radio,
993 movie theater, billboard, bus poster, newspaper or magazine
994 promotional campaign or advertisement, which (A) features the name,
995 face or voice of a candidate for public office, or (B) promotes the
996 nomination or election of a candidate for public office, during the
997 twelve-month period preceding the election being held for the office
998 which the candidate described in this subdivision is seeking.

999 (3) As used in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, "public
1000 funds" does not include any grant or moneys paid to a qualified
1001 candidate committee from the Citizens' Election Fund under sections
1002 9-700 to 9-716, inclusive.

1003 (e) For purposes of this subsection and subsection (f) of this section,
1004 the exclusions to the term "contribution" in subsection (b) of section 9-
1005 333b, as amended, shall not apply; the term "state office" means the
1006 office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
1007 Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State; and the term
1008 "state officer" means the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney
1009 General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State.
1010 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, during
1011 any regular session of the General Assembly, during any special
1012 session of the General Assembly held between the adjournment of the
1013 regular session in an odd-numbered year and the convening of the
1014 regular session in the following even-numbered year or during any
1015 reconvened session of the General Assembly held in an odd-numbered
1016 year to reconsider vetoed bills, (1) no lobbyist or political committee
1017 established by or on behalf of a lobbyist shall make or offer to make a
1018 contribution to or on behalf of, and no lobbyist shall solicit a

1019 contribution on behalf of, (A) a candidate or exploratory committee
1020 established by a candidate for nomination or election to the General
1021 Assembly or a state office or (B) a political committee (i) established for
1022 an assembly or senatorial district, (ii) established by a member of the
1023 General Assembly or a state officer or such member or officer's agent,
1024 or in consultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, any such
1025 member, officer or agent, or (iii) controlled by such member, officer or
1026 agent, to aid or promote the nomination or election of any candidate or
1027 candidates to the General Assembly or a state office, and (2) no such
1028 candidate or political committee shall accept such a contribution. The
1029 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a candidate committee
1030 established by a member of the General Assembly or a candidate for
1031 nomination or election to the General Assembly, at a special election
1032 for the General Assembly, from the date on which the candidate or the
1033 chairman of the committee files the designation of a campaign
1034 treasurer and a depository institution under section 9-333d with the
1035 Secretary of the State, to the date on which the special election is held,
1036 inclusive, or to an exploratory committee established by a member of
1037 the General Assembly to promote his candidacy for an office other
1038 than the General Assembly.

1039 (f) A political committee established by two or more individuals
1040 under subparagraph (B) of subsection (3) of section 9-333a, as
1041 amended, other than a committee established solely for the purpose of
1042 aiding or promoting any candidate or candidates for municipal office
1043 or the success or defeat of a referendum question, shall be subject to
1044 the prohibition on acceptance of lobbyist contributions under
1045 subsection (e) of this section unless the campaign treasurer of the
1046 committee has filed a certification that the committee is not established
1047 for an assembly or senatorial district, or by a member of the General
1048 Assembly or a state officer, or such member or officer's agent, or in
1049 consultation with, or at the request or suggestion of, any such member,
1050 officer or agent, or controlled by such member, officer or agent. The
1051 campaign treasurer of any political committee established by or on
1052 behalf of a lobbyist shall file a certification to that effect. Such

1053 certifications shall be filed with the office of the Secretary of the State,
1054 on forms prescribed by the secretary, on or before November 15, 1994,
1055 for all such political committees in existence on such date, or upon the
1056 registration of the committee, and on or before November fifteenth
1057 biennially thereafter. The secretary shall provide to the State Elections
1058 Enforcement Commission on or before December 1, 1994, and
1059 biennially thereafter, a political committee registration report. The
1060 report shall include a certified copy of each certification filed pursuant
1061 to this subsection prior to December first of the reporting year and a
1062 certified copy of a list stating the name of each political committee
1063 registered pursuant to section 9-333g, as amended, prior to December
1064 first of the reporting year and the name and address of the campaign
1065 treasurer of each such committee. In the case of any political committee
1066 which registers or files a certification on or after December first of any
1067 even-numbered year but prior to November first of the following
1068 even-numbered year, the secretary shall provide the commission with
1069 a copy of each such registration or certification by the close of the next
1070 business day following receipt. Such registration information or
1071 certification shall also be included in the biennial political committee
1072 registration report of the secretary to the commission. The commission
1073 shall prepare a list of all such committees subject to the prohibitions
1074 under subsection (e) of this section, according to the certifications filed,
1075 which shall be available prior to the opening of each regular session of
1076 the General Assembly, and shall provide a copy of the list to the
1077 president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of
1078 Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate, the minority leader
1079 of the House of Representatives and each state officer. During each
1080 such regular session, the commission shall prepare a supplemental list
1081 of committees which register after November fifteenth and are subject
1082 to such prohibitions, and the commission shall provide the
1083 supplemental list to such legislative leaders and state officers. The
1084 filing of the certification by the campaign treasurer of the committee
1085 shall not impair the authority of the commission to act under section 9-
1086 7b, as amended. Any lobbyist or campaign treasurer who acts in
1087 reliance on such lists in good faith shall have an absolute defense in

1088 any action brought under subsection (e) and this subsection,
1089 subsection (c) of section 9-333f, as amended, and subsection (f) of
1090 section 9-333j, as amended.

1091 [(g) Each lobbyist who is an individual and, in conjunction with
1092 members of his immediate family, makes contributions to or purchases
1093 from committees exceeding one thousand dollars in the aggregate
1094 during the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 1993, or July first in
1095 any year thereafter, shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false
1096 statement, with the State Elections Enforcement Commission in
1097 accordance with the provisions of section 9-333e, on the second
1098 Thursday in July following the end of such twelve-month period. The
1099 statement shall include: (1) The name of each committee to which the
1100 lobbyist or a member of his immediate family has made a contribution
1101 and the amount and date of each such contribution; and (2) the name
1102 of each committee from which the lobbyist or member of his
1103 immediate family has purchased any item of property or advertising
1104 space in a program in connection with a fund-raising event which is
1105 not considered a contribution under subsection (b) of section 9-333b
1106 and the amount, date and description of each such purchase. Each
1107 lobbyist who is an individual and who, in conjunction with members
1108 of his immediate family, does not make contributions to or purchases
1109 from committees exceeding one thousand dollars in the aggregate
1110 during any such twelve-month period shall file a statement, sworn
1111 under penalty of false statement, with the State Elections Enforcement
1112 Commission in accordance with the provisions of section 9-333e, on
1113 the second Thursday in July, so indicating.]

1114 [(h)] (g) No communicator lobbyist, member of the immediate
1115 family of a communicator lobbyist, or political committee established
1116 or controlled by a communicator lobbyist or a member of the
1117 immediate family of a communicator lobbyist shall make a
1118 contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of (A) an exploratory
1119 committee or a candidate committee established by a candidate for
1120 nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor,
1121 Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, Secretary of the

1122 State, state senator or state representative, (B) a political committee
1123 established or controlled by any such candidate, (3) a legislative caucus
1124 committee or a legislative leadership committee, or (4) a party
1125 committee.

1126 [(i)] (h) No communicator lobbyist, immediate family member of a
1127 communicator lobbyist, agent of a communicator lobbyist, or political
1128 committee established or controlled by a communicator lobbyist or any
1129 such immediate family member or agent shall solicit a contribution on
1130 behalf of a candidate committee or an exploratory committee
1131 established by a candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant
1132 Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer,
1133 Secretary of the State, state senator or state representative, a political
1134 committee established or controlled by any such candidate, a
1135 legislative caucus committee, a legislative leadership committee or a
1136 party committee.

1137 [(j)] (i) The provisions of subsections [(h)] (g) and [(i)] (h) of this
1138 subsection shall not apply to the campaign of a communicator lobbyist,
1139 immediate family member of a communicator lobbyist or agent of a
1140 communicator lobbyist who is a candidate for public office or to an
1141 immediate family member of a communicator lobbyist who is an
1142 elected public official.

1143 [(k)] (j) Any person who violates any provision of subsections [(h)]
1144 (g) and [(i)] (h) of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty,
1145 imposed by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, of not more
1146 than five thousand dollars or twice the amount of any contribution
1147 donated or solicited in violation of subsection [(h)] (g) or [(i)] (h) of this
1148 section, whichever is greater.

1149 Sec. 22. Subsection (i) of section 9-333n of the 2006 supplement to
1150 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1151 thereof (*Effective December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or*
1152 *after said date*):

1153 (i) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall study

1154 subcontracts for state contracts and, not later than February 1, [2007]
1155 2009, submit proposed legislation for extending the provisions of this
1156 subsection to such subcontracts to the joint standing committee of the
1157 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to elections.

1158 Sec. 23. Section 49 of public act 05-5 of the October 25 special session
1159 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1160 *from passage*):

1161 The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall study and
1162 prepare a plan that addresses (1) public financing for candidates for
1163 nomination or election to offices of municipalities, and (2) campaign
1164 financing restrictions, including, but not limited to, restrictions on the
1165 sale of advertising space in fund-raising affair programs by candidate
1166 committees for such candidates and restrictions on contributions to
1167 such candidates from communicator lobbyists, immediate family
1168 members of communicator lobbyists, political committees established
1169 by communicator lobbyists, and principals of contractors or
1170 prospective contractors. Not later than January 1, [2007] 2009, the
1171 commission shall submit a report on its findings and
1172 recommendations, including any necessary legislation, to the joint
1173 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
1174 matters relating to elections.

1175 Sec. 24. Section 9-211 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1176 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1177 In case of a vacancy in the office of senator in Congress, the
1178 Governor is empowered to fill such vacancy by appointment as herein
1179 provided. If such vacancy occurs [sixty] one hundred fifty or more
1180 days prior to a state election, the appointee shall serve until the third
1181 day of January following such election, and at such election there shall
1182 be elected a senator in Congress to serve for the remaining portion, if
1183 any, of the term vacated. If such vacancy occurs within less than [sixty]
1184 one hundred fifty days of a state election and the term vacated does
1185 not expire on the third day of January following such election, the

1186 appointee shall serve until the third day of January following the next
1187 such election but one, and at such next election but one there shall be
1188 elected a senator in Congress to serve for the remaining portion, if any,
1189 of the term vacated. If such vacancy occurs within less than [sixty] one
1190 hundred fifty days of a state election and the term vacated expires on
1191 the third day of January following, the appointee shall serve until such
1192 third day of January.

1193 Sec. 25. Subdivision (3) of section 9-450 of the 2006 supplement to
1194 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1195 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1196 (3) In the case of a vacancy in the office of senator in Congress
1197 occurring [seventy] one hundred fifty or more days prior to a state
1198 election, the party-endorsed candidate of each party for such office
1199 shall be designated at the state convention of such party held for the
1200 endorsement of candidates for the state offices to be filled at such
1201 election; contesting candidacies for nomination to such office shall be
1202 filed not later than four o'clock p.m. on the [fourteenth] twenty-first
1203 day following the close of such convention; and the primary of such
1204 party for nomination to such office shall be held simultaneously with
1205 the primaries of such party for nomination to the state and district
1206 offices to be filled at such election. If, at the time such vacancy in the
1207 office of senator in Congress occurs, such state convention has already
1208 been closed, it shall be reconvened by call of the chairman of the state
1209 central committee of such party, which call shall be mailed to each
1210 delegate selected for such convention not less than seventy-two hours
1211 prior to such reconvening; such reconvened convention shall be closed
1212 not later than the tenth day following the occurrence of such vacancy.
1213 The party-endorsed candidate of such party for such office shall be
1214 designated at such reconvened convention. Contesting candidates for
1215 nomination to such office shall be filed not later than four o'clock p.m.
1216 on the [fifth] twenty-first day following the close of such reconvened
1217 convention. If the primaries of such party for nomination to the state
1218 and district offices to be filled at the state election are held not earlier
1219 than the [twenty-eighth] forty-ninth day following the close of such

1220 reconvened convention, the primary of such party for nomination to
1221 the office of senator in Congress to fill such vacancy shall be held
1222 simultaneously with the primaries of such party for nomination to
1223 such state and district offices; otherwise, the Secretary of the State shall
1224 fix the day for the primary of such party for such nomination to the
1225 office of senator in Congress, which day shall be not earlier than the
1226 [twenty-eighth] forty-ninth day following the close of such reconvened
1227 convention and not later than the twenty-first day preceding the day of
1228 the state election.

1229 Sec. 26. Section 9-333w of the 2006 supplement to the general
1230 statutes is amended by adding subsection (h) as follows (*Effective*
1231 *October 1, 2006*):

1232 (NEW) (h) (1) No person, including, but not limited to, any
1233 candidate or candidate committee, shall make or incur any
1234 expenditure for a push poll with the cooperation of, at the request or
1235 suggestion of, or in consultation with any candidate, candidate
1236 committee or candidate's agent unless such person reports the name of
1237 the candidate, candidate committee or political committee on whose
1238 behalf such expenditure was made, the maker of such expenditure,
1239 and the name of the person conducting such push poll to the State
1240 Elections Enforcement Commission in a form and manner prescribed
1241 by the commission;

1242 (2) In the case of any person who conducts a push poll supporting
1243 or opposing a candidate, such person shall state, during any such
1244 phone call, the name of such caller, the words "paid for by" in
1245 conjunction with the name of the sponsoring group and the name of
1246 the company conducting the poll if different from that of the sponsor;

1247 (3) The provisions of this subsection shall not be deemed to have
1248 been violated whenever the recipient of such call voluntarily
1249 terminates such call prior to the disclosure of such required
1250 information, except when the recipient of such call is in any way
1251 encouraged to terminate such call by the caller;

1252 (4) For the purposes of this subsection, "push poll" means a paid
1253 telephone survey, or series of similar telephone surveys, that reference
1254 a candidate or group of candidates other than in a basic preference
1255 question, and in which:

1256 (A) A list or directory is used, exclusively or in part, to select
1257 respondents belonging to a particular subset or combination of subsets
1258 of the population, based on demographic or political characteristics
1259 such as race, sex, age, ethnicity, party affiliation or similar types of
1260 characteristics;

1261 (B) The survey fails to make demographic inquiries on factors such
1262 as age, household income or status as a likely voter sufficient to allow
1263 for the tabulation of results based on a relevant subset of the
1264 population consistent with standard polling industry practices;

1265 (C) The pollster or polling organization does not collect or tabulate
1266 the survey results;

1267 (D) The survey prefaces a question regarding support for a
1268 candidate on the basis of an untrue statement; and

1269 (E) The survey is primarily for the purpose of suppressing or
1270 changing the voting position of the call recipient.

1271 The term "push poll" does not include any survey supporting a
1272 particular candidate that fails to reference another candidate or
1273 candidates other than in a basic preference question.

1274 Sec. 27. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 9-46a of the 2006
1275 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is
1276 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1277 (a) A person who has been convicted of a felony and committed to
1278 confinement in a federal or other state correctional institution or
1279 facility or community residence shall have such person's electoral
1280 privileges restored upon [submission of written or other satisfactory
1281 proof to the admitting official before whom such person presents his or

1282 her qualifications to be admitted as an elector, that] the payment of all
1283 fines in conjunction with the conviction [have been paid] and [that]
1284 once such person has been discharged from confinement, and, if
1285 applicable, parole.

1286 (b) Upon the release from confinement in a correctional institution
1287 or facility or a community residence of a person who has been
1288 convicted of a felony and committed to the custody of the
1289 Commissioner of Correction and, if applicable, the discharge of such
1290 person from parole, (1) the person shall have the right to become an
1291 elector, (2) the Commissioner of Correction shall give the person a
1292 document certifying that the person has been released from such
1293 confinement and, if applicable, has been discharged from parole, (3) if
1294 the person was an elector at the time of such felony conviction and,
1295 after such release and any such discharge, is residing in the same
1296 municipality in which the person resided at the time of such felony
1297 conviction, the person's electoral privileges shall be restored, [upon
1298 submitting to an admitting official such document or other satisfactory
1299 proof that the person has been released from such confinement and, if
1300 applicable, discharged from parole,] and (4) if the person was an
1301 elector at the time of such felony conviction and, after such release and
1302 any such discharge, is residing in a different municipality or if the
1303 person was not an elector at the time of such felony conviction, the
1304 person's electoral privileges shall be restored or granted upon
1305 submitting to an admitting official [(A)] satisfactory proof of the
1306 person's qualifications to be admitted as an elector, [, and (B) such
1307 document or other satisfactory proof that the person has been released
1308 from confinement and, if applicable, discharged from parole.] The
1309 provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4), inclusive, of this subsection shall
1310 not apply to any person convicted of a felony for a violation of any
1311 provision of this title until such person has been discharged from any
1312 parole or probation for such felony. [No admitting official shall require
1313 that a person under this subsection submit a document from the
1314 Commissioner of Correction, as described in subdivision (2) of this
1315 subsection, in order to prove that the person has been discharged from

1316 confinement and, if applicable, discharged from parole.]

1317 Sec. 28. Section 9-23g of the general statutes is repealed and the
1318 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2007*):

1319 (a) In addition to the procedures for admission of electors under
1320 sections 9-19b, 9-19c, 9-19e, 9-20, as amended, and 9-31, any person
1321 may apply to a registrar of voters of the town of his residence for
1322 admission as an elector in accordance with the provisions of this
1323 section and section 9-23h, as amended by this act.

1324 (b) The Secretary of the State shall prescribe, and provide to
1325 registrars of voters, town clerks and voter registration agencies, as
1326 defined in section 9-23n, as amended by this act, application forms and
1327 other materials necessary to complete such application and admission
1328 process. The Secretary of the State, registrars of voters and town clerks
1329 shall provide a reasonable number of such forms and materials to any
1330 elector who requests such forms and materials. The secretary shall
1331 also, in the course of the secretary's elections duties, prepare
1332 instructions and related materials describing procedures for such
1333 application and admission process and shall provide the materials to
1334 registrars of voters and town clerks. The application shall contain the
1335 information required under section 9-23h, as amended by this act. All
1336 statements of the applicant shall be made under the penalties of
1337 perjury. The application for admission as an elector shall include a
1338 statement that (1) specifies each eligibility requirement, (2) contains an
1339 attestation that the application meets each such requirement, and (3)
1340 requires the signature of the applicant under penalty of perjury.
1341 Nothing in this section or section 9-23h, as amended by this act, shall
1342 require that the application be executed in the state. An applicant who
1343 is unable to write may cause the applicant's name to be signed on the
1344 application form by an authorized agent who shall, in the space
1345 provided for the signature, write the name of the applicant followed
1346 by the word "by" and the agent's own signature. The completed
1347 application may be mailed or returned in person to the office of the
1348 registrars of voters or the office of the town clerk of the applicant's

1349 town of residence or a voter registration agency. If the applicant
1350 entrusts the applicant's application to another person or to such a voter
1351 registration agency for mailing or return to the registrars of voters,
1352 such person or agency shall immediately mail or return the
1353 application. Any such voter registration agency shall also provide the
1354 applicant with an application receipt, on which the agency shall record
1355 (A) the date that the agency received the application, using an official
1356 date stamp bearing the name of the agency, and (B) the party
1357 affiliation, if any, of the applicant. The agency shall provide such
1358 receipt whether the application was submitted in person or by mail.
1359 The town clerk shall promptly forward any application which the
1360 town clerk receives to the registrars of voters. Such application form
1361 shall be provided by or authorized by the Secretary of the State.

1362 (c) Forthwith upon receipt of a registration application in the office
1363 of the registrars of voters, the registrar shall mark such date on the
1364 application and review the application to determine whether the
1365 applicant has properly completed it and is legally qualified to register.
1366 Forthwith upon completing his review, the registrar shall (1) indicate
1367 on the application whether the application has been accepted or
1368 rejected, (2) mail a notice to the applicant, (3) indicate on the
1369 application the date on which such notice is mailed, and (4) provide a
1370 copy of such notice to the other registrar. If the registrar determines
1371 that the applicant has not properly completed the application or is not
1372 legally qualified to register, the notice shall indicate that the
1373 application has been rejected and shall state the reason for rejection. If
1374 the registrar determines that the applicant has properly completed the
1375 application and is legally qualified to register, the notice shall indicate
1376 that the application has been accepted. A notice of acceptance or a
1377 notice of rejection shall be sent (A) within four days of receipt of an
1378 application during the period beginning on the forty-ninth day before
1379 an election and ending on the twenty-first day before such election, (B)
1380 on the day of receipt of an application if it is received (i) during the
1381 period beginning on the twentieth day before such election and ending
1382 on the fourteenth day before such election, (ii) during the period

beginning on the thirteenth day before an election and ending on election day if the application has been received by the fourteenth day before an election by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration agency, (iii) during the period beginning on the twenty-first day before a primary and ending on the fifth day before a primary, or (iv) during the period beginning on the fourth day before a primary and ending at twelve o'clock noon on the last weekday before a primary, if the application has been postmarked by the fifth day before the primary and is received in the office of the registrars of voters during such period or if the application is received by the fifth day before a primary by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration agency, and (C) within ten days of receipt of an application at any other time. A notice of acceptance shall be sent by first-class mail with instructions on the envelope that it be returned if not deliverable at the address shown on the envelope. A notice of acceptance shall indicate the effective date of the applicant's registration and enrollment, the date of the next regularly scheduled election or primary in which the applicant shall be eligible to vote and the applicant's precinct and polling place. If a notice of acceptance of an application is returned undelivered, the registrars shall forthwith take the necessary action in accordance with section 9-35 or 9-43, notwithstanding the May first deadline in section 9-35. An applicant for admission as an elector pursuant to this section and section 9-23h, as amended by this act, may only be admitted as an elector by a registrar of voters of the town of his residence. Not later than December thirty-first, annually, the Secretary of the State shall establish an official calendar of all deadlines set forth in this subsection for regularly scheduled elections and primaries to be held in the following calendar year.

(d) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the privileges of an elector for any applicant for admission under this section and section 9-23h, as amended by this act, shall attach immediately upon approval by the registrar, and the registrars shall enter the name of the elector on the registry list.

1417 (2) Except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, if a
1418 mailed application is postmarked, or if a delivered application is
1419 received in the office of the registrars of voters, after the fourteenth day
1420 before an election or after the fifth day before a primary, the privileges
1421 of an elector shall not attach until the day after such election or
1422 primary, as the case may be.

1423 (3) If an application is received after the fourteenth day before an
1424 election or after the fifth day before a primary by the Commissioner of
1425 Motor Vehicles or by a voter registration agency, the privileges of an
1426 elector shall not attach until the day after the election or primary, as
1427 the case may be, or on the day the registrar approves it, whichever is
1428 later.

1429 (4) If on the day of an election or primary, the name of an applicant
1430 does not appear on the official check list, such applicant may present
1431 to the moderator at the polls either a notice of acceptance received
1432 through the mail or an application receipt that was previously
1433 provided to the applicant pursuant to section 9-19e, subsection (b) of
1434 section 9-19h, subsection (b) of this section or section 9-23n, as
1435 amended by this act. If an applicant presents said notice or receipt, and
1436 either the registrars of voters find the original application or the
1437 applicant submits a new application at the polls, the registrar, or
1438 assistant registrar upon notice to and approval by the registrar, shall
1439 add such person's name and address to the official check list on such
1440 day and the person shall be allowed to vote if otherwise eligible to vote
1441 and the person presents to the checkers at the polling place a
1442 preprinted form of identification pursuant to subparagraph (A) of
1443 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-261.

1444 (e) A registration application filed under this section shall be
1445 rejected if the application (1) has not been signed or dated by the
1446 applicant or the authorized agent of the applicant pursuant to
1447 subsection (b) of this section, (2) does not indicate the applicant's date
1448 of birth or bona fide residence, (3) does not indicate United States
1449 citizenship, provided the registrars of voters have contacted such

1450 applicant to provide an opportunity to answer such question, or (4) is
1451 determined by the Secretary of the State to be substantially defective.
1452 No registration application filed under this section shall be rejected if
1453 the application fails to provide the applicant's Social Security number
1454 or the zip code of the applicant's bona fide residence.

1455 (f) Upon admission of an applicant under subsection (d) of this
1456 section, who indicated on his registration application that he changed
1457 residence since voting last in Connecticut, the registrar shall notify the
1458 registrar who accepted the voter's last registration, and the registrar in
1459 the voter's place of last residence, if different. Notification shall be
1460 made upon a form prescribed by the Secretary of the State. A registrar
1461 receiving such a notification shall delete the elector's name from the
1462 registry list.

1463 (g) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of this section, any person
1464 otherwise eligible for admission as an elector, pursuant to section 9-12,
1465 may apply for admission as an elector by means of the Internet in
1466 accordance with the procedures of this subsection and any regulation
1467 adopted, pursuant to subsection (i) of this section, by the Secretary of
1468 the State for such electronic registration.

1469 (2) Any person applying for admission as an elector pursuant to this
1470 subsection shall submit with such electronic application such
1471 applicant's Connecticut motor vehicle operator license number or such
1472 other identifying number as may be required by the Secretary of the
1473 State. In the event such applicant does not submit such number, or if
1474 such applicant submits such number and the Secretary of the State is
1475 unable to match the information submitted with an existing
1476 Connecticut identification record bearing such number, name and date
1477 of birth, such application shall be invalid and any such person shall
1478 not be admitted as an elector until either: (A) An electronic application
1479 is submitted in accordance with the provisions of this subsection, or
1480 (B) an application for admission as an elector is submitted by mail or in
1481 person in accordance with the provisions of chapter 143.

1482 (3) Any person applying for admission as an elector pursuant to this
1483 subsection shall also attest that the address appearing on such person's
1484 motor vehicle operator license is such person's current primary
1485 residence. In the event such person cannot or does not so attest, such
1486 application shall be invalid and such person shall not be admitted as
1487 an elector until such person submits an application for admission as an
1488 elector by mail or in person, in accordance with the provisions of
1489 chapter 143.

1490 (4) Except as provided in subdivision (6) of this subsection, the
1491 privileges of an elector for any applicant for admission under this
1492 subsection shall attach immediately upon approval of such
1493 application, as prescribed by the Secretary of the State, and upon
1494 approval said secretary shall enter the name of such elector on the
1495 state-wide centralized voter registration system described in section 9-
1496 50b.

1497 (5) Any application submitted pursuant to this subsection shall be
1498 subject to the provisions of chapter 151.

1499 (6) The registration deadlines prescribed in this section shall remain
1500 applicable to any application for admission as an elector submitted
1501 pursuant to this subsection.

1502 [(g)] (h) All provisions of the general statutes relating to electors,
1503 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, shall
1504 apply to electors admitted under the provisions of this section.

1505 [(h)] (i) The Secretary of the State may adopt regulations, in
1506 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes
1507 of this section and section 9-23h, as amended by this act.

1508 Sec. 29. Section 9-23h of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
1509 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
1510 *January 1, 2007*):

1511 The application provided for in section 9-23g, as amended by this

1512 act, shall provide spaces for the following information for each
1513 applicant: (1) Name, (2) bona fide residence, including street number,
1514 street address, apartment number if applicable, town and zip code, (3)
1515 telephone number, (4) date of birth, (5) whether the applicant is
1516 registered as an elector in any other town in the state of Connecticut or
1517 in any other state, and if so, the applicant's last previous voting
1518 residence, (6) whether the applicant is a United States citizen, (7)
1519 whether the applicant will be eighteen years of age on or before
1520 election day, (8) party affiliation, if any, (9) the applicant's signature
1521 and date of signature, except if such application is submitted pursuant
1522 to subsection (g) of section 9-23g, as amended by this act, an electronic
1523 signature, as defined by section 1-267, shall be considered valid, and
1524 (10) the applicant's Connecticut motor vehicle operator's license
1525 number or, if none, the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security
1526 number. The spaces for the applicant's telephone number and party
1527 affiliation shall indicate that such information does not have to be
1528 provided. On any such application printed on or after January 1, 2006,
1529 the space for the applicant's party affiliation shall also include a list of
1530 the names of the major parties, as defined in section 9-372, as options
1531 for the applicant. The spaces regarding United States citizenship and
1532 whether the applicant will be eighteen years of age on or before
1533 election day shall indicate that if the applicant answers "No" to either
1534 question, the applicant may not complete the voter registration form.
1535 No Social Security number on any such form filed prior to January 1,
1536 2000, may be disclosed to the public or to any governmental agency.
1537 The application shall contain a notice that if the applicant does not
1538 receive a notice of acceptance or rejection of the application from the
1539 office of the registrars of voters for the municipality in which the
1540 applicant resides, the applicant should contact said office. The
1541 application shall also contain any other information, questions or
1542 instructions prescribed by the Secretary of the State.

1543 Sec. 30. Section 9-212 of the general statutes is repealed and the
1544 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1545 (a) In case of a vacancy in the office of representative in Congress

1546 from any district, the Governor, except as otherwise provided by law,
1547 shall not more than ten days after the occurrence of such vacancy issue
1548 writs of election directed to the town clerks or assistant town clerks, in
1549 such district, ordering an election to be held on the sixtieth day after
1550 the issue of such writs on a day, [named,] other than a Saturday or
1551 Sunday, to fill such vacancy, [and] provided (1) if such a vacancy
1552 occurs between the one hundred twenty-fifth day and the sixty-third
1553 day before the day of a regular state or municipal election in
1554 November of any year, the Governor shall so issue such writs on the
1555 sixtieth day before the day of such regular election, ordering an
1556 election to be held on the day of such regular election, (2) if such a
1557 vacancy occurs after the sixty-third day before the day of a regular
1558 state election but before the regular state election, the Governor shall
1559 not issue such writs and no election shall be held under this section,
1560 unless the position vacated is that of member-elect, in which case the
1561 Governor shall issue such writs and an election shall be held as
1562 provided in this section, and (3) if a primary for such office occurs
1563 pursuant to subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of section 9-450, as
1564 amended by this act, the Governor shall, within ten days following the
1565 filing of a candidacy for nomination by a person other than the party-
1566 endorsed candidate, issue new writs of election, in place of those first
1567 issued pursuant to this section.

1568 (b) The Governor shall cause [them] writs of election issued
1569 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to be conveyed to a state
1570 marshal, who shall forthwith transmit an attested copy thereof to such
1571 clerks or assistant clerks. Such clerks or assistant clerks, on receiving
1572 such writs, shall warn elections to be held on the day appointed
1573 therein in the same manner as state elections are warned, which
1574 elections shall be organized and conducted as are state elections, and
1575 the vote shall be declared, certified, directed, deposited, returned and
1576 transmitted in the same manner as at a state election.

1577 Sec. 31. Subdivision (1) of section 9-450 of the 2006 supplement to
1578 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
1579 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1580 [(1) (A) In the case of nominations for representatives in Congress
1581 and judges of probate in probate districts composed of two or more
1582 towns, provided for in sections 9-212 and 9-218, if the writs of election
1583 are issued by the Governor on or before the twenty-first day of May in
1584 an even-numbered year and the election is to be held on the day of the
1585 state election in such year, the state central committee or other
1586 authority of each party shall, not later than the twenty-fourth day of
1587 May in such year, publish notice of the date for the selection of
1588 delegates to the state or district convention to designate the party-
1589 endorsed candidate for the office to be filled. Such selection shall be
1590 made not earlier than the fifty-sixth day after publication of such
1591 notice and not later than the fifth day before the convention. If such
1592 writs of election are issued after the twenty-first day of May in such
1593 year, or if the election is to be held on any day other than the day of the
1594 state election, the day scheduled for the election shall be not earlier
1595 than the ninety-first day following the day on which such writs of
1596 election are issued. The state central committee or other authority of
1597 each party shall, not later than the eighty-fourth day preceding the day
1598 of the election, publish notice of the day for the selection of delegates
1599 to the state or district convention to designate the party-endorsed
1600 candidate for the office to be filled, which day shall be not earlier than
1601 the twenty-eighth day following such publication and not later than
1602 the fifty-sixth day preceding the day of the election. The selected
1603 delegates to such convention shall be certified to the town clerks not
1604 later than the twenty-first day preceding the day of such primary. The
1605 state or district convention shall be convened not earlier than the fifth
1606 day following such primary and closed not later than the forty-ninth
1607 day preceding the day of the election. Contesting candidacies for
1608 nomination to the office to be filled shall be filed not later than four
1609 o'clock p.m. on the fifth day following the close of such convention.
1610 The Secretary of the State shall fix the day for the primary of each
1611 party for the nomination to the office to be filled, which day shall be
1612 not earlier than the twenty-first day following the close of such
1613 convention and not later than the twenty-first day preceding the day of
1614 the election.]

1615 (1) (A) In the case of nominations for representatives in Congress
1616 and judges of probate in probate districts composed of two or more
1617 towns, provided for in sections 9-212, as amended by this act, and 9-
1618 218, the delegates to the convention for the last state election shall be
1619 the delegates for the purpose of selecting a candidate to fill such
1620 vacancy. If a vacancy occurs in the delegation from any town, political
1621 subdivision or district, such vacancy may be filled by the town
1622 committee of the town in which the delegate resided. Endorsements by
1623 political party conventions pursuant to this subsection may be made
1624 and certified at any time after the resignation or death creating such
1625 vacancy and not later than the fiftieth day before the day of the
1626 election. No such endorsement shall be effective until the presiding
1627 officer and secretary of any district convention have certified the
1628 endorsement to the Secretary of the State.

1629 (B) If such a vacancy occurs between the one hundred twenty-fifth
1630 day and the sixty-third day before the day of a regular state or
1631 municipal election in November of any year, no primary shall be held
1632 for the nomination of any political party and the party-endorsed
1633 candidate so selected shall be deemed, for the purposes of chapter 153,
1634 the person certified by the Secretary of the State pursuant to section 9-
1635 444 as the nominee of such party.

1636 (C) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, if a
1637 candidacy for nomination is filed by or on behalf of any person other
1638 than a party-endorsed candidate within the time specified in
1639 subsection (b) of section 9-400, as amended by this act, and in
1640 conformity with the provisions of section 9-400, as amended by this
1641 act, a primary shall be held in each municipality of the district and
1642 each part of a municipality which is a component part of the district, to
1643 determine the nominee of such party for such office, except as
1644 provided in section 9-416a. Such primary shall be held on the day that
1645 the writs of election issued by the Governor, pursuant to section 9-212,
1646 as amended by this act, ordered the election to be held, and new writs
1647 of election shall be issued by the Governor in accordance with section
1648 9-212, as amended by this act.

1649 (D) Unless the provisions of paragraph (B) of this subdivision apply,
1650 petition forms for candidacies for nomination by a political party
1651 pursuant to this subdivision shall be available from the Secretary of the
1652 State beginning on the day following the issuance of writs of election
1653 by the Governor pursuant to section 9-212, as amended by this act,
1654 except when a primary has already been held, and the provisions of
1655 section 9-404a, as amended by this act, shall otherwise apply to such
1656 petitions.

1657 (E) The registry lists used pursuant to this subsection shall be the
1658 last-completed lists, as provided in sections 9-172a and 9-172b.

1659 Sec. 32. Subsection (a) of section 9-183a of the general statutes is
1660 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
1661 *passage*):

1662 (a) The number of justices of the peace for each town shall be equal
1663 to one-third the number of jurors to which such town is by law
1664 entitled, except in the town of Waterbury the number shall be sixty-
1665 nine, in the town of Trumbull the number shall be [fifteen] thirty, in
1666 the town of Meriden the number shall be thirty-six, and in the town of
1667 Litchfield the number shall be fifteen; provided any town, by
1668 ordinance, may provide for the selection of a lesser number of justices
1669 of the peace for such town as herein provided, which shall be not less
1670 than fifteen.

1671 Sec. 33. Subdivision (2) of subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the 2006
1672 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
1673 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

1674 (2) Unless otherwise provided by this chapter, any campaign
1675 treasurer, in accomplishing the lawful purposes of his committee, may
1676 pay the expenses of: (A) Advertising in electronic and print media; (B)
1677 any other form of printed advertising or communications including
1678 "thank you" advertising after the election; (C) campaign items,
1679 including, but not limited to, brochures, leaflets, flyers, invitations,
1680 stationery, envelopes, reply cards, return envelopes, campaign

1681 business cards, direct mailings, postcards, palm cards, "thank you"
1682 notes, sample ballots and other similar items; (D) political banners and
1683 billboards; (E) political paraphernalia, which is customarily given or
1684 sold to supporters including, but not limited to, campaign buttons,
1685 stickers, pins, pencils, pens, matchbooks, balloons, pads, calendars,
1686 magnets, key chains, hats, tee shirts, sweatshirts, frisbees, pot holders,
1687 jar openers and other similar items; (F) purchasing office supplies for
1688 campaign or political purposes, campaign photographs, raffle or other
1689 fund-raising permits required by law, fund-raiser prizes, postage,
1690 express mail delivery services, bulk mail permits, and computer
1691 supplies and services; (G) banking service charges to maintain
1692 campaign and political accounts; (H) subscriptions to newspapers and
1693 periodicals which enhance the candidacy of the candidate or party; (I)
1694 lease or rental of office space for campaign or political purposes and
1695 expenses in connection therewith including, but not limited to,
1696 furniture, parking, storage space, utilities and maintenance, provided a
1697 party committee or political committee organized for ongoing political
1698 activities may purchase such office space; (J) lease or rental of vehicles
1699 for campaign use only; (K) lease, rental or use charges of any ordinary
1700 and necessary campaign office equipment including, but not limited
1701 to, copy machines, telephones, postage meters, facsimile machines,
1702 computer hardware, software and printers, provided a party
1703 committee or political committee organized for ongoing political
1704 activities may purchase office equipment, and provided further that a
1705 candidate committee or a political committee, other than a political
1706 committee formed for ongoing political activities or an exploratory
1707 committee, may purchase computer equipment; (L) compensation for
1708 campaign or committee staff, fringe benefits and payroll taxes,
1709 provided the candidate and any member of his immediate family shall
1710 not receive compensation; (M) travel, meals and lodging expenses of
1711 speakers, campaign or committee workers, the candidate and the
1712 candidate's spouse for political and campaign purposes; (N) fund
1713 raising; (O) reimbursements to candidates and campaign or committee
1714 workers made in accordance with the provisions of this section [9-333i]
1715 for campaign-related expenses for which a receipt is received by the

1716 campaign treasurer; (P) campaign or committee services of attorneys,
 1717 accountants, consultants or other professional persons for campaign
 1718 activities, obtaining or contesting ballot status, nomination, or election,
 1719 and compliance with this chapter; (Q) purchasing campaign finance
 1720 reports; (R) repaying permissible campaign loans made to the
 1721 committee that are properly reported and refunding contributions
 1722 received from an impermissible source or in excess of the limitations
 1723 set forth in this chapter; (S) conducting polls concerning any political
 1724 party, issue, candidate or individual; (T) gifts to campaign or
 1725 committee workers or purchasing flowers or other commemorative
 1726 items for political purposes not to exceed ~~[fifty]~~ one hundred dollars to
 1727 any one recipient in a calendar year or for the campaign, as the case
 1728 may be; (U) purchasing tickets or advertising from charities, inaugural
 1729 committees, or other civic organizations if for a political purpose, for
 1730 any candidate, a candidate's spouse, a member of a candidate's
 1731 campaign staff, or members of committees; (V) the inauguration of an
 1732 elected candidate by that candidate's candidate committee; (W) hiring
 1733 of halls, rooms, music and other entertainment for political meetings
 1734 and events; (X) reasonable compensation for public speakers hired by
 1735 the committee; (Y) transporting electors to the polls and other get-out-
 1736 the-vote activities on election day; and (Z) any other necessary
 1737 campaign or political expense.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	9-168d(b)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	9-388
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	9-391
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	9-404a
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	9-390(d)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	9-400(a) and (b)
Sec. 7	<i>from passage</i>	9-405(a)
Sec. 8	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-258
Sec. 9	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-232e
Sec. 10	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-263
Sec. 11	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-264

Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	9-249
Sec. 13	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-23n
Sec. 14	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-23o
Sec. 15	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	New section
Sec. 16	<i>December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date</i>	9-702(c)
Sec. 17	<i>December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date</i>	9-703(a)
Sec. 18	<i>December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date</i>	9-706(d)
Sec. 19	<i>December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date</i>	9-712
Sec. 20	<i>December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date</i>	9-333l
Sec. 21	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	9-333l
Sec. 22	<i>December 31, 2006, and applicable to elections held on or after said date</i>	9-333n(i)
Sec. 23	<i>from passage</i>	PA 05-5 of the October 25 Sp. Sess., Sec. 49
Sec. 24	<i>from passage</i>	9-211
Sec. 25	<i>from passage</i>	9-450(3)
Sec. 26	<i>October 1, 2006</i>	9-333w
Sec. 27	<i>from passage</i>	9-46a(a) and (b)
Sec. 28	<i>January 1, 2007</i>	9-23g
Sec. 29	<i>January 1, 2007</i>	9-23h
Sec. 30	<i>from passage</i>	9-212
Sec. 31	<i>from passage</i>	9-450(1)
Sec. 32	<i>from passage</i>	9-183a(a)
Sec. 33	<i>from passage</i>	9-333i(g)(2)

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